

On Friday evening, June 22, 2018, forty seniors received diplomas at Hammondsport Central School. Class Valedictorian, Rachael Derby, and Salutatorian, Paige MacDonald, presented their departing addresses.

Mrs. Lynda Lowin and Mr. Richard Drain presented the Fred and Harriet Taylor Foundation Awards. There were 45 awards presented, totaling \$77,000.

The following graduating seniors were recipients of varying amounts:

Catherine Ackley Lourenze Baliguin Marshall Bennett Dillan Conley Deonna Deal Rachael Derby Benjamin Fingar Meghan Fingar Tyler Hill Kelsy Hoyt Caleigh Hunn Robin Jenkins Paige MacDonald Elissa Martinez Sarah Miller Joseph Rago Morgan Sherman Anna Lukacko Vogel William Whitney Samuel Zyla

The Roswell McDaniels American Legion Post awarded **Brayden Whitcomb** the American Legion Service Award and \$200 for entering the service.

The Julia B. & C. Arthur Niver Citizenship Award of \$250 and her name engraved on the Niver plaque was presented to **Paige MacDonald**.

The Virginia M. Benton Memorial Medical Scholarship of \$300 was presented to Caleigh Hunn.

The Clarence Taylor Winery Scholarships were established in 1980 in memory of Mr. Clarence Taylor. This year's recipient of a \$2,000 scholarship is **Rachael Derby**.

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## Message from the Board of Education and the Superintendent

### Free Summer Meals Offered at Hammondsport

The Hammondsport CSD announces its participation in the Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children 18 years and under without charge.

All meals must be eaten on site:

Hammondsport Central School Cafeteria Monday through Thursday July 9th to August 9th Breakfast 8:00-8:30am Lunch 11:15-12:00pm

### Free Student Meals in 2018-19!!

Hammondsport Central School has been approved to provide **free breakfast and lunch to ALL students** beginning in the 2018-19 school year! This approval allows **ALL** students to receive a free full breakfast and lunch every school day throughout the year. Students will only need to pay for additional items such as ala carte snacks or items above the components of a regular meal. More information will be going home to parents about the free meal program as we get closer to the school year.

#### From the Superintendent and Board of Education

The end of the 17-18 school year marked the end of Jim Zimar's twenty year tenure as a Hammondsport Board of Education member. We thank Jim for his dedication to HCS and his countless hours of volunteer service on behalf of our Hammondsport students, staff, and community!

#### Thank you to our 2018 District Retirees!

17 years
17 years
30 years
16 years
16 years
22 years

### **HCS Mission**

The mission of the Hammondsport Central School District, a highperforming unique learning community, is to provide a dynamic, quality education to a close-knit and diverse population, and to ensure that all students are prepared to compete in an ever changing global society by challenging each student through superior, innovative educational opportunities while promoting responsible citizenship through strong character and moral development.

### **District Objectives**

100% of our students will meet their graduation requirements.

100% of school community members will contribute to a safe, secure, student centered environment.

100% of students will meet proficiency with the continued goal of achieving mastery.

100% of the school community will rate the internal/external communications of the district as satisfactory.

Laker Lines is the official newsletter of the Hammondsport Central School District. It is distributed to all District residents. HCS Board of Education members include: James Zimar, President; Dennis Carlson, Vice President; Richard Drain, Kevin Bennett, and Lynda Lowin.

The Board meets the third Wednesday of each month in the Library of the Main Street School. For more school information, visit our school website at: hammondsportcsd.org

Superintendent of Schools: Kyle Bower

Newsletter Editor: Makenzie Witter

The Hammondsport Community Scholarship Fund, started in 1959 with funds from an anonymous donor and continued today through private donations, awarded \$200 each to **Luke Atkinson, Robin Jenkins and Dylan Worboys**.

The Robert H. Cole Sr. Memorial Award, recognizing a graduating senior with the highest average in Business Law was given to **Ann Szathmary** in the amount of \$1,250.

The Dr. John W. Keeler Scholarship was established to honor Dr. Keeler, a man who devoted his life to the medical profession and the Hammondsport Community. This year's recipient of



profession and the Hammondsport Community. This year's recipient of \$1,000.00 was **Elissa Martinez**.

Desmond and Ellen McCann Scholarships are sponsored by the family in honor of their parents. The awards are given to students entering business, health or home-economics related fields. The \$300 scholarships were awarded to **Meghan Fingar** and **Brittany Storrs**.

The Hazel Nichiporuk Elementary Scholarship, established by her husband in memory of the thirty-eight-year elementary teacher, was awarded to **Brittany Storrs** for \$200.

The John J. Southard Jr. Memorial Scholarship for a student entering the business field was established from contributions made by Mr. Southard's friends, fellow faculty members, and his family. This \$200 scholarship was awarded to **Kayla Reneau**.

The Glenda L. Wagner Memorial Award, established in memory of the high school office secretary was presented to **Caleigh Hunn** for \$200.

The Horace and Helen Sirrine Scholarship was established from the estate of Mr. Horace Sirrine. It was his desire to promote education and recognize excellence. The recipient of a \$4,000 scholarship was **Rachael Derby**.

The Dellie-Mori/Louise Hunn Memorial Scholarship is given to a graduate or past graduate majoring in the nursing field or a related field. This year's recipients of \$500 each were Paige MacDonald and past graduates **Emily Eckel** 

Paige MacDonald(L) Salutatorian, Rachael Derby(R) Valedictorian

and Haley Finch.

The Barry Peters Music Award was presented to **Tyler Hill** for \$250.

The Jeani M. Carpenter Memorial Scholarship, recognizing a student pursuing the education field, was awarded to **Anna Lukacko Vogel** for \$1,000.

The Raymond E. Donley Memorial Scholarship, honoring the former business teacher whose humor brought endless smiles to everyone, was presented to **Meghan Fingar** for \$200.

The George Lawrence Memorial Scholarship of \$2,000 was given to **Paige MacDonald**.

The John T. Rogerson Jr. Scholarship was established by his family in memory of the former Hammondsport teacher. This year's recipient of \$500 was **Anna Lukacko Vogel**.

The Joseph F. Meade Sr. Memorial Science Award Scholarship for \$3,000 and the Meade Plaque were presented to **Tyler Hill**. **Cameron Roote** received \$750 for the Joseph F. Meade Sr. Memorial Science Award. The Joseph F. Meade Jr. Memorial Business Award Scholarship for \$750 was presented to **Sarah Miller, Kayla Reneau** and **Meghan Fingar**.



Cameron Roote(L), Morgan Sherman® Followed by Joey Rago(L), Shelby Eaves(R)

The Mary Pizura Memorial Scholarship, established by her family to recognize a student entering the health care field, was given to **Catherine Ackley** for \$250.

The Arthur Kelly Memorial Scholarship, established locally by his friends to honor his commitment to the community, was given to **Rachael Derby** for \$200.

The Chamber of Commerce Palettes of Keuka Arts Scholarship was awarded to Anna Lukacko Vogel for \$2,000.

## From the Desk of Mr. Rounds, 7-12 Principal



Congratulations to all the students, faculty and staff at Hammondsport Central School on their most recent recognition by U.S. News and World Report as a Silver Medal School and one of the highest performing schools in New York State. The selection, ranking and medal is based upon student performance on state assessments and AP exams. Hammondsport was ranked 199th in New York State using student performance on ELA and math assessments. The next step in the ranking process factored in our participation and success rate on AP exams. This information was then compared to other schools, as was the performance of our economically disadvantaged students to generate our ranking.

We wish our students traveling abroad this July a safe and enriching experience. Members of the Spanish Club will tour the countries of Spain and Portugal. During the students' trip they will be immersed in the culture and language of the respective countries from July 6-July 17. Students will also be able to take part in planned excursions in Lisbon, Barcelona and Gibraltar to name a few adventures.

Drivers Education for eligible students will commence on July 31st and end on August 24th and classroom instruction will be 9:00a.m.-10:30a.m. Daily with drives scheduled between 7:15-3:45. All classroom instruction will be on campus. Drive times will be scheduled with the instructor at Orientation, scheduled on Friday, July 27th at 1:00p.m. Student schedules will be mailed the first week in August. As always, schedule changes can be made through the Guidance Office by emailing Mr. Derr at jderr@hport.wnyric or calling the Guidance Office at 569-5200.

# **Senior High Academic Awards**

The Academic Awards Assembly was held Friday, June 1, 2018 at Hammondsport Central High School. Presentation of awards was as follows:

The Hammondsport Alumni Association presented several awards to graduating seniors: The Valedictorian Award of \$500 was presented to **Rachael Derby**; the Salutatorian Award of \$500 was presented to **Paige MacDonald**; the Math Award of \$500 to **Dillan Conley**; the Richard F. Krug Science Award of \$500 to **Ann Szathmary**; the Marion S. French English Award of \$500 to **Lourenze Baliguin**; the Moretti, Bidwell, & Magee Art Award of \$500 was presented to **Anna Lukacko Voge**]; the History Award of \$500 was presented to **Elissa Martinez**; the Jan Ketchum Special Achievement Award of \$750 was presented to **Caleigh Hunn**.

**Benjamin Fingar** received \$50 as the recipient of the Vine City Supply Technology Award. The Shirley's of Bath "Woody Shirley Memorial" Technology Award was presented to **Zak Davis** for \$40. The HESPA Hammondsport Educational Support Personnel Association) Technology Award of \$100 was given to **Evan** Ford.

The Hammondsport Teachers Association presented awards to 9th and 11th graders for academic achievement. This year's 9th grade recipients of a \$25

Barnes and Noble gift card were **Benjamin Cole, Gabriel Orcutt**, and **Allison Starkweather**. The 11th grade recipients of a \$50 Barnes and Noble gift card were **Judith Bramson**, **Matthew Cole** and **Jonah Wilkinson**. The following seniors received \$300 scholarships from the HTA: Lourenze Baliguin, Dillan Conley, Caleigh Hunn, Elissa Martinez, Morgan Sherman, and Anna Lukacko Vogel. Past graduates George Ruddy, Graham O'Donnell, Jared Raab, Haley Finch, Aubrie Hill and Cameron McConnell also received \$300 scholarships.

Five Star Bank Award for academic achievement were presented to **Brianna Miller** \$50 each.

The Rotary Club Youth Citizenship Award of \$875 was given to **Dillan Conley**.

The Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award is given to a student who has attained high scholastic standing in the sciences. This year's recipient is **Nigel Snyder**. The award is a Bronze medallion, free application and \$40,000 scholarship eligibility to the University of Rochester.

The Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce presented a scholarship award of \$250 to a graduating senior who has demonstrated volunteerism in school and community. The award went to **Ann Szathmary**.

The Elias Carl Spanish Award of \$150 was given to Rachael Derby. The Hammondsport Women's Club Spanish Award was given to

**Tea' Flynn** for \$200.

The Sam Pennise D.D.S. and Cinnamon Stick Outstanding Business Student award of \$100 was presented to **Meghan Fingar**, she also received the Outstanding Business Student plaque which is displayed in the school.

The JS Hubbs Business Award, recognizing interest and achievement in business courses was given to **Kayla Reneau** for \$200.

The Fred & Harriett Taylor Memorial Library Award was presented to **Zachary Pifer** for \$50.

The Pulteney Ladies Auxiliary Award for special achievement and citizenship went to **Tyler Hill** in the amount of \$100.

The Raymond E. Donley Personality Award was given to **Ann Szathmary**; her name will be engraved on the Raymond Donley plaque in the school.

The Hammondsport Fireman's Auxiliary Citizenship award of \$100 was given to **Jackson Cummings**.

The Wayne Fire Department Memorial Award was given to **Caleigh Hunn** for \$500.

The ServU Federal Credit Union Award of \$100 was given to **Jacob Gittens**. The ServU Smart Saver Award was given to **Samuel Zyla** for \$500.

The Academic All-Stars Scholarship was given to **Elissa Martinez** for \$100.

The William H. Cohn History Award of \$875, sponsored by the Hammondsport Rotary Club, of which Mr. Cohn was a long-time member, was presented to **Morgan Sherman**.

The Principal's Award for Academic Excellence recognized the following students for achieving high honor roll every quarter of 9th through 12th grade: **Rachael Derby, Paige MacDonald, Elissa Martinez, Sarah Miller, Zachary Pifer, Cameron Roote, Ann Szathmary,** and **Anna Lukacko Vogel.** This is a \$50 award.

The Clarkson University Achievement Award, offering a \$48,000 scholarship, was awarded to **Matthew Cole**. The Clarkson University Leadership Award, offering a \$60,000 scholarship, was given to **Parker Watson**.

The Wells College 21st Century Leadership Award, offering \$40,000 for study at Wells, was presented to **Colin Drain**.

The University of Rochester Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Humanities & Social Sciences Award, offering \$40,000 upon admission to U of R, was awarded to **Tea' Flynn**.

The University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation and Technology, with

\$40,000 scholarship eligibility, was given to **Travis Raab**.

The Helen Rubar Memorial Peace Scholarship, recognizing volunteer effort in all areas, was given to **Catherine Ackley, Rachael Derby, Paige MacDonald** and **Morgan Sherman**. They will be awarded \$500.

The University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leader Award, offering \$40,000 scholarship eligibility was given to **Natalie Lowin**.

The Triple "C" Award, recognizing character, courage, and commitment, was given to **Caleigh Hunn** and **Brayden Whitcomb**.

The Student Council Award of \$150 was given to **Paige MacDonald**.

The Russell Sage College Recognition Award, honoring those who "lead, excel, and serve" was awarded to **Judith Bramson**, offering a \$20,000 scholarship eligibility.

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The Susan Schroeder Bethke Art Award, honoring a student pursuing a career in Art, was presented to **Rachael Derby** in the amount of \$1,500.

The Mildred G. Para Memorial Scholarship awards a student pursuing a career related to family and consumer science. This year's recipient was **Renee Stickler** for \$250.

The Bath Rotary Club Citizenship Award of \$500 each was given to **Rachael Derby** and **Anna Lukacko Vogel** 

The Office of the State Comptroller provided an Academic Excellence Award certificate for **Paige MacDonald**.

The Rochester Institute of Technology Computing Medal Award was presented to **Travis Raab** and **Pia Bacubac**. They will receive an annual scholarship of \$7,000 if they attend RIT.

The Rochester Institute of Technology Innovation and Creativity Award was presented to **Megan Allen** and **Matthew Cole**. They will receive an annual scholarship of \$7,000 if they attend RIT.

The New York State Education Department Scholarship for Academic Excellence was presented to **Zachary Pifer** for \$1,500, and to **Rachael Derby** and **Ann Szathmary** for \$500.

Perfect attendance awards were given to the following students: Leah Brown and Zak Davis in 9th grade; Aubrie Cole, Hayley Copp and Madison Wright in 10th grade; Tea' Flynn, Devin Ollis, Travis Raab and John Wright in 11th grade; Evan Ford in 12th grade.

The Presidential Challenge Physical Fitness Awards were presented to Julia Bennett, Aubrie Cole, Dillan Conley, Destiny Hammond, Brianna Hill, Tyler Hill, Brian Mitchell, Ann Szathmary, Anna Lukacko Vogel and Brayden Whitcomb.

The Patricia M. Beilby Memorial Scholarship recognizes a graduating senior who has excelled in the areas of athletics, sportsmanship, and academics. This year's recipient of \$200 was **Dillan Conley**.

The Margaret Martin Class of 1958 Memorial Scholarship was presented to **Ann Szathmary** and **Elissa Martinez** in the amount of \$1,000.

The Steuben County Veterans' Memorial awarded \$250 scholarships to the following seniors: **Catherine Ackley**, **Lourenze Baliguin, Jackson Cummings, Benjamin Fingar, Meghan Fingar, Caleigh Hunn, Elissa Martinez, Morgan Sherman, William Whitney** and **Samuel Zyla**.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, through the

Gu-Ya-No-Ga Chapter, presented an award of \$30 to **Ann Szathmary**.

The Claude Stone Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by the Hammondsport Ambulance Corps, was given to **Renee Stickler** in the amount of \$250.

The Roberta Bailey Wambold Memorial Scholarship of \$750 was given to **Elissa Martinez**.

The V.F.W. Webster Hill Conklin 1470 award of \$50 was given to **Marshall Bennett**.

The Hammondsport Association of Teaching Assistants (HATA) presented a \$200 award to **Morgan Sherman**.

The Jack Lisi Youth Award of \$1,500 was presented to **Brayden Whitcomb**.

The Semper Fidelis award was given to **Paige MacDonald**, and the USMC Scholastic Excellence Award was given to **Cameron Roote**.

The Alexander & Esther Wahlig scholarship, sponsored by the Keuka Lake Association awards their scholarship to a student entering the Sciences. This year's recipient for \$1,000 was **Caleigh Hunn**.

The Shaw Agency provided an award for Driver Education of \$200 to **Megan Allen**.

Certificates were awarded to the following students in their respective groups, honoring their commitment and dedication to that organization:

<u>Academic All Stars</u>: Ann Szathmary, Anna Lukacko Vogel, Elissa Martinez, Anouk Mentink, Matthew Cole, Megan Allen, Judith Bramson, Austin Mead, Emma Thompson, Benjamin Cole, Andrew Hill, and Michael Hurlburt.

**Drama Club**: Natalie Lowin, Travis Raab, Matthew Cole, Jesse Bray, Pia Bacubac, Megan Allen, Danielle Conley, Emily Sofio, Maeve Frost, Amanda O'Donnell, Anya Brown, Rorie Whitcomb, Gavin Ruddy, Michael Hurlbert, Emma Thompson, Madison Pifer, Ann Szathmary, Caleigh Hunn, Brian Mitchell, Brianna Hill, Ilya Ivanov, Tyler Hill, Rachael Derby, Dylan Worboys, Anna Lukacko Vogel, Judith Bramson, Andrew Hill, and Robin Jenkins.

<u>Student Council</u>: Ann Szathmary, Paige MacDonald, Julia Bennett, Tyler Hill, Dillan Conley, Garrett Adsit, Caleigh Hunn, Pia Bacubac, and Judith Bramson.

**Competitive Vex Robotics**: Benjamin Fingar, Elissa Martinez, Brayden Whitcomb, Lucas Hess, Nigel Snyder, Ryan Lawrence, Marshall Bennett, and Dylan Worboys.

## From the Desk of Mr. Koehler, Elementary Principal

The end of the school year is always a time for both celebration of our successes and achievements, and reflection on what we can continue to improve moving forward. We enjoyed a number of celebrations during the month of June. Our sixth grade graduation ceremony

took place on June 15th, while our kindergarten graduation was held on June 19th. Both ceremonies were very well attended. We continue to appreciate the support of our families in celebrating these important moments in the lives of our children.

A theme our students and staff embraced this year that will continue into next year and beyond is establishing a growth mindset for ourselves as learners. We have all learned to embrace the mindset that we are capable of "growing our brains" through intentional practice and receptiveness to feedback toward specific goals. As a staff, we've reflected on how to best empower our students to

take ownership over being an active part of their own unique learning progression toward grade level standards, making them increasingly self-aware of their current strengths and specific areas to improve. Thank you to Autumn White, Stacey Forenz, Melissa Sable, and Kelley Meade for meeting as a parent advisory group to review, ask questions, and provide feedback on a new template for K-6 report cards that we feel will better align with these goals. Thank you also to Mrs. Bower and Mr. Gugliotta for dedicating your time to be a part of this discussion with our parents. More information will be coming as we approach the 2018-2019 school year.

Amidst the end-of-year celebrations, a great deal of intentional work took place to plan for successful transitions into next school year. Grade level teams met with administration to collaboratively build class lists that we felt best put all students in position to be successful. Following these meetings, teams met with the next grade level up to discuss the upcoming students, their unique strengths and needs, and how to best help each child achieve at high levels. Our Moving Up Day was held on the last day of school, at which time students were able to visit their new teacher and classmates to begin the relationshipbuilding process that is so critical to success and a positive classroom

Liam pauses for a picture after receiving his diploma from Mrs. McCarthy!

environment.

Thank you for all you do each and every day to prepare your child to learn – we've had a fantastic year, and we look forward to building on these successes in 2018-2019.

Enjoy your families and have a safe summer!

## **Back Pack Program**

The Hammondsport Churches are partnering with Catholic Charities/Turning Point to provide assistance with school supplies. If you would like to register to receive supplies for your children please contact Leah Nichiporuk by phone at 607-569-2055 or Mary White by text or phone at 607-368-3224. Please register by July 15th. Distribution will be on Monday August 27th from 9 a.m. to noon at St. James' Episcopal Church, corner of Lake and Main Streets, Hammondsport.





## First Grade Informational Writing Celebration

Our first graders researched and read about topics to become experts and write their own informational texts. (Left) Paige and (right) Donny Kei share their texts at first grade's evening celebration to teach their families about their topics. We are so proud of our first grade writers!





### **Sixth Grade Graduation**



Congratulations to Liam, Chase, and all of our sixth grade graduates! We know you will make us proud next year in seventh grade and beyond. Thank you as always to all our families who joined us on this special day to recognize our children for achieving this milestone in their lives.



## **Kindergarten Graduation**



We were proud to announce our Kindergarten Class of 2018 (and Graduating Class of 2030!) at our graduation ceremony on June 19th. Our kindergarteners performed a song together to celebrate the occasion!

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